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SATURDAY, DECEMBER 23, 1809.

RICHMOND'S JOYOUS CHRISTMAS.

A good sign of prosperity in this community is found in the immense number of heliday packages bandled by the South. ern Express office this season. Judging by appearance, we should say that the holiday business transacted through that office this year is the largest on record. This means that the people of the community have money to spend in Christmas gifts and that they are spending it freely.

There are serious troubles abroad and there is an urgent demand for money, financial circles and this has found expression in the stock market. But the business situation throughout this whole country is sound and in no place is it more so than in Richmond. Our industries are ail working to their full capacity and new industries are starting up. Soon after the new year dawns we shall have a new trunk line to the South and there is promise that a large sum of money will be expended here in improving street car

The Locomotive Works have contracts shead running into the millions, insuring profitable employment to a great working force, and the ship-yard is expending vas sums of money in the purchase of sup plies and in paying for labor. The Richmond stock-yards and the new abattoir are also industries on a gigantic scale and will put much money into circulation. tand that there is another hars local industry soon to be opened up, wi has not yet been mentioned in the public press, and we are further informed that the owner of an extensive plant at the North has decided to start a branch fac tery in this city in the early spring.

But the list is too long to enumerate Suffice it is to say that the year 1830 has been one of the most prosperous in the history of Richmond and there is every promise that the year 1900 will be a record

Richmond men are conservitive and are not disposed to blow. Richmond does not advertise half as much as some towns of far less importance, but Richmond is substantial and her future is assured.

DEATH OF MR. MOODY.

The death of Rev. Dwight L. Moody is a national loss and a national sorrow. He had but one aim in life and that wa to do good-to help men to be better and happier in this world and to find peace

Mr. Moody prepared himself for his work by gaining the confidence of the public. Years ago he convinced the world of his sincerity, and from that time nonever questioned his motives. He was a man of plain words, and his manner was sometimes brusque, but he was always tender-hearted and sympathetic, and however plain-spoken he might be, he was never guilty of vulgar sensationalism. He was a simple-hearted Christian, sincere in his profession, loyal to his God. devoted to his fellow-man, consecrated to his work, and in his dally life exemplined the religion which he preached. He was endowed with great powers, but he employed them well, to the glory of God and to the uplifting of humanity.

UNDERGROUND WIRES,

The Times believes that electric lines in all large towns should be put under ground, and we have long been in favor of the conduit system in Richmond. We are gratified that the work of burying the wires in this city is progressing, and we think that it would be wise for other cities in the State to follow Richmond's example Electric wires have multiplied of tage erally into use that there will be a greater number of wires as the years go by. These wires are a public nuisance and a menace to property and human life.

But The Times is una terably opposed to any State law on the subject. This is a mustir waich every city should determine for theelf. The question of local self-gov. e na ent la involved, for the State of Virside could, with the same reason, pass a law requiring street car companies to do away with electricity and run their cars | This condition is as true of the South

by horse power. It would be an unwar- as of other sections of the country. The purely local concerns. The Council of every city is fully competent to deal with community for itself.

It would make little difference to Rich. mond if this bill should pass, for Richmond, as we have said, has already adopted the conduit system. But it might be a matter of vital importance to Lynchburg, Petersburg, Newport News, Danville and other towns which have not, as yet, determined to put their electric wires un. der foot. It is a great principle of Democracy and one of its cardinal principles is that each community shall be permitted, as far as is consistent with the common weal, to manage its own local affairs without interference on the part of the centralized government. It is a distinct blow at Democracy whenever that princtple is violated by the State Legislature or by the national Congress.

GOVERNOR BOIES' PLATFORM.

Governor Boles, of Iowa, has put out his platform for the Democratic party in 1500, and it is as follows:

Unyielding opposition to a colonial sys. tem that requires for its maintenance the exercise in any degree of the military power of the governor.

An unqualified pledge that the future government of the Philippines Islands shall, on honorable conditions, be left exclusively to the people of those islands.

The inviolate keeping of the pledge of this nation that Cuba shall be free.

Opposition to a great standing army. Ceaseless antagonism of trusts in what-ever form organized and the immediate removal of all protective tariffs from goods A bree I declaration that the issue of the

currency of the country, both coin and paper, is rightfully a function of the gov-ernment alone, the volume of which should be controlled by the Congress of the nation, instead of by private corpora-tions organized for individual gain. An unqualified declaration in favor of

the continued coinage on government ac-count of both the money metals at the existing ratio, to the full limit required by the business interests of the country such limit to be determined by Congress

It would be hard to find a more complete mixing of good and bad things than this. Governor Boies would probably find ninety-nine out of every hundred Ameri. cans agreeing with him that there should be unyielding opposition to a colonial system that requires for its maintenance the exercise in any degree of the military power of a governor. And yet, ninety-nine out of every hun-

dred of those who agreed to this would utterly repudiate any suggestion to recal ficient military force at his command to might occur. When understood as applicable to normal conditions, every one is prepared to give his hearty assent to this one of Governor Boies' positions. But, as applicable to the actual conditions that confront the United States to-day, not one man in one hundred will hear it at all. continue the use of military power in Cuba until an entirely capable civil government is established there, and all of the same men insist that we shall continue the use of military power in the Philippines until we have restored an orderly government there and until the islanders show them selves capable of conducting an orderi; cussion until an entirely new order of things has arisen. When that condition does arise he will probably find the American people so unanimous in support of his views that he will be unable to get up

any discussion about them. These remarks apply just as well to the form. When the proper conditions for applying them have arisen, he will probably find no difference of opinion about them. As to the trust question, that is a problem that is solving itself.

The rest of Governor Boles' platform is Populistic. True he has abandoned 16 to 1, but he insist that the government shall make the money and supply it to the people. But how is that to be done. True the government can coin gold and sliver and by the engraving process make millions and billions of paper money. But how are the people going to get it from the government? Surely the men of the Boles school have had a most impressive lesson of late. The government has hundreds of millions of dollars in its vaults now, and the banks are pressed for cash. But the only way that the government can put money into circulation is by anticipating its obligations and by depositing money in the banks against government bonds deposited with the government. This would be the case, though the government had billions instead of millions in its vaults The only way to carry Governor Boles' scheme into practice were for the government to resolve itself into a great banking concern and carry on business with the country at large. But will any Jack. sonian Democrat consent to that propos

MR. HOWELL ON EXPANSION.

In his address in Buffalo the other night, Mr. Clarke Howell, in discussing the question of trade expansion, used

these significant words: We have as yet but touched the borders of Aslatic trade, and with anything like a fair basis for operation, giving us like a fair basis for operation, giving a vantage ground from where we can participate in the fruits of that newly opening market, we will look confidently to the day when the South, taking its slater States of other sections by the hand, will point to her overflowing apron of riches, and lead the joyful chorus that sings the nation's wealth.

Mr. Howell is a member of the National Democratic Committee, but he is also the editor of a representative Southern newspaper, which represents Southern sentiment. Mr. Howell knows that trade expansion is now an accomplished fact, and that no political party car shake it. We have outgrown the home market idea. We have of late years enormous'y increased our capacity to produce, and if we should be shut out from the markets of the world and attempt to confine our operations within the borders of the United States, We should soon have a great surplus of agricultural products and mill products which would overwheim us. We must have an outlet for our surplus. We must seek foreign markets for a targe portion of

our output.

ranted usurpation to interfere in these Southern cotton mills are now shipping immense quantities of goods to China and other eastern markets, and if this the question of overhead wires and all avenue should be closed to the South, such questions should be decided by each instead of increasing the number of cur compelled to shut down. The South has discovered that the solution of the cheap cotton problem is to be found in converting the raw material into the finished product. In this way the price of the cotton can be doubled and trebled and quadrupled, but in order to do this there must be a market for cotton goods, and that market must be broader than the United States.

We have said time and again that expansion is purely a business question. We believe that government and business should be divorced, so far as government interference with the private concerns of life is involved. We do not be-Heve in class legislation of any character. We are opposed to any and all legislation intended to help one class at the expense of the others, but it is clearly the duty of the government to make trade as free as possible at home and abroad, to remove all obstacles as far as it may which prevent industrial and commercial development. We are op-The great work in this direction for the future is for the government to open the door as far, as it may, in all directions to American trade. American managainst foreign competition. All that they require is that they may have access to the markets of the world, that they may be permitted to compete with the manufacturers of the world in all places, and rest assured that under such conditions they will surely get their

THE SEABOARD AIR LINE.

share of the trade.

It seems plain that the Scaboard Air Line is about to win its fight for consolidation. The scheme is entirely practicable, and the best Interests of all the roads embraced in the system demand that it be carried out. With the consolidation effected and the two missing links filled in, the Seaboard will have a magnificent line from Richmond to Tampa, giving one of the shortest and pulckest and most comfortable routes between the extreme North and Florida, The men behind this great enterprise know what they are about, and they are Held not as slow, or quick, or out of place

and develop. The principle of consolidation is new so well established that the management of the Seaboard Air Line system are but following precedents established throughout the country, and nowhere more con-

spicuously than in the South.

The Board of Education of the Valley Stream Free School, of New York is wrestling with the problem as to whether or not it has the right to compel a child wife to go to school. The girl in question is Mrs. Charles Coombes, just fourteen years of age, who left school a few weeks ago and got married. The president of the School Board believes that, married or single, she ought to attend school, relying upon the compulsory educational law which requires that all children between the ages of fourteen and sixteen, unless steadily employed, shall attend school in their respective districts. Mrs. Coombes is indignant at the says that the law is intended to apply to children and not to mairons who have household duties to perform. The School next three planks of Governor Boies' plat. | Board laid the matter on the table until next week, when it will be referred to

the Superintendent of Public Instruction.

The Chattanooga Times recently said: 'We are a good deal surprised that Lamar Fontaine should give currency to such sensationalism as his letter about Joubert contains. It is charitable to believe that he has been imposed upon by some pretender of knowledge. He has certainly gotten the Louisiana Joubert and he of South Africa sadly mixed."

To which the Vicksburg Herald replies: "We are inclined to think that The Time is 'sadly mixed' on Lamar Fontaine. The fecund generator of war apocrypha will not be thankful for the 'charitable' conof the very mildest bits of 'sensationalism

SOUTHERN NOTES,

A company has been organized with a capital stock of \$125,000 to build a hotel in the city of Augusta, on the site of th id Planters Hotel, which was recently destroyed by fire.

A joint stock company with a capital of \$100,000 has been organized to carry on a wholesale dry goods business in Natchez,

The Tennessee Copper Company, at Docktown, has increased the wages of its employes 19 per cent. and has reduced the hours of labor from ten to eight.

The stockholders of five of the leading

The trial of Julia Morrison, the actress,

for murder, will begin in Chattanooga on January 4th. It is said that the evidence on both sides will be quite sensational. The aggregate value of exports from Pensacola to foreign ports last week was

\$367,393, distributed as follows: Liverpool,

\$146,259; Dunkirk, \$75,830; Venice, \$63,352;

London, \$25,420; Antwerp, \$18,200; Rio de Janeiro, \$12,748; Buenos Ayres, \$12,726; Cette, \$7,128; Dieppe, \$5,750; total, \$567,283. The Catecay Iron Company's properties, located on the line of the Atlanta, Knoxville and Northern Railroad, at Ellijay,

Ga., have been sold to Eastern iron deal-The property has been extensively operated and shows large deposits of highgrade ore.

The property was owned jointly by Col.

A. E. Buck, the present United States
minister to Japan, and O. C. Fuller, clerk minister to Japan, and O. C. Funer, of the United States Court in Atlanta.

AFTERMATH. Dr. A. Conan Doyle, the novelist so well known in England and America, is re-

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ported to have volunteered for service in South Africa.

Dr. Rudolph Friese, of Omaha, Neb., has been sued for divorce, and his wife, Ida, brings the most extraordinary charge of crulety as the basis for her suit. Their ten-year-old child was forced to pose as dead while a photograph of her was made, which the husband afterward sent to the wile as proof of their child's sudden death. The wife alleges that the husband did this in order to lacerate her feelings.

As a reward for their good behavior, Sheriff Wharton, of Dover, Del., will give a "'possum bake," with the sweet potato and gravy adjuncts, and a cake-waik to the prironers in Kent County jail on New Year's eve. On Sunday they will have a turkey dinner, including cranberry sauce

The Rev. Marco Mazzuca, a former Roman Catholic priest stationed at St. Michael's Italian Catholic church in New Haven, has been ordained into the Baptist ministry. Father Mazzoca left, 31, Michael's church about a year ago here, the is about forty years old. His reasons for leaving St. Michael's church were that he had changed his mind about his creed at St. Michael's. To-da; it was officially slated that he left of his own free will.

The hands are such dear hands; They are so full; they turn at our de-mands

So often: they reach out With trifles scarcely thought about, So many times, they'd do So many things for me, for you-If their fond wills mistake,

That speak to us. Pray, if love strips Them of discretion many times,

not trying to destroy, but to build up Because the lips that spoke are no more

They are such dear, familiar feet that go Along the path with ours-feet fast o And trying to keep pace-if they mistake Or tread upon some flower that we would

Upon our breast or bruise some reed, Or crush poor hope until it bleed, We may be mule. Not turning quickly to impute Grave fault; for they and we

Have such a little way to go-can be Together such a little while along the way So many little faults we find,

We see them, for not blind Is Love. We see them; but if you and I They will not be Faults then—grave faults—to you and me. But just odd ways—mistakes, or even

Mistaken words to-night. May be so cherished by to-morrow's light, We will be patient, for we know There's such a little way to go.

—Frances E. Willard.

No Flies on Him, Either.

"I've got a good motto for my nev

What is it?" "What we have we hold,
"O' I see; referring to the circulation,
That's good. But, by the way, I didn't
know you were a publisher." This is a patent fly-paper."-

Were There Enough to Go Around? Mrs. W.-Did your stenographer ad-dress those "at home" cards of mine to

"Yes, but she made a slight error. She sent them to a list of our creditors."—

Conditions Changed.

"Their married life isn't happy, eh?"
"She says such sharp and sareastic things to him, it's becoming unbearable."
Why, he told me before he married her that that was what he admired most He considered it 'wit' then."-

Satisfying His Conscience,

"My love for you," he said to the homely heiress, "is like this ring." "How sweet!" she exclaimed. "You she exclaimed. "You

mean it has no end "Precisely," he said, and then he added under his breath just to square himself with his conscience, "and no beginning."—

Chicago Post, Walter D. Moses & Co., Jackson at Front Royal.

Editor of The Times:

Sir:-I have always been a great admir-Sir.—I have always been a great admirer of the heroes of the Louisiana brigade
in the Army of Northern Virginia, and
anything about them interests me very
much. I saw a good deal of them, and
they are finely fixed in my memory. I
remember the gigantic Col. Peck, of the
9th Louisiana. I was with them at Winchester and Cedar Creek, and elsewhere. The stockholders of five of the leading enterprises of West Point, Va., held meetings the other day, and all five concerns declared dividends on the year's operations.

The trial of Julia Morrison, the actress, a frazzle of 350 men, with Col. Peck at their head, responded at the call of their comrades of the artillery for support. Your correspondent, "Front Royal," states the case pretty accurately. I think, when he says no such officer as Joubert comhe says no such officer as Jouett commanded in the brigade, yet he makes a mistake when he says Gen. Jackson was not at Front Royal, and that Ewell directed the attack in person. Gen. Dick Taylor says in his book that he was there and "ordered him (Taylor) to deploy his manufacture as a kurmishers on both leading regiment as skirmishers on both sides of the road," etc., and again in speaking of crossing the river on the which had been set on are by the Yan-kees, he said: "Just as I emerged from the flames and smoke, Jackson was by my side. How he got there was a mystery," etc.

Riehmond, Va., Dec. 22, 1889.

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SOCIETY EVENT OF THE SEASON

An Election Bet of \$34,000 Paid without a Murmur-A Man Without Memory Cuts Queer Capers, Priest as Good Samaritan,

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.-Special.-A series of entertainments were given last evening at "Georgian Court," the country seat of Mr. and Mrs. George J. Gould. The feature of the evening was the appearance of Mrs. Gould in private theatricals. These were given in Mr. and Mrs. Gould's private theatre, which is on the grounds of "Georgian Court." The play in which Mrs. Gould appeared, and in which she acted with great charm and brilliance, was a comedy, "The Twilight of the

Gods," by Mrs, Wharton,
Their guests numbered nearly one hundred. Everything was done on the most lavish scale and in the best of taste. Preceding the theatricals there was a din-

Mes. Gould did not come to the dinner a Mrs. Gould did not come to the the hotel, as she saved herself for the play, At Mr. Gould's table were Marquise Talleyrand Ferigard, Mrs. Dyer, Mrs. Henry Clews, Senator Depew, Mrs. Mrs. Henry Clews, Senator Depew, Mrs. Townsend Burden, and Mr. Stuart Pendle-

table Mrs. Pendleton, Ms. Harry Lehr, Mrs. Hermann Gelrichs, Mr. Paul De-schamps, Mr. Elisha Dyer, Jr., and Mr. James W. Gerrard.

THREE COMEDIES.

The three comedies were presented. "A Pair of Lunatics" is a comedy in one act, by W. R. Walkes; "The Marble Arch" nedlette in one act by Edward Ros

and A. J. Garroway.

The performance concluded with the presemation for the first time on any stage of a play called "The Twillight of the Gods," by Mrs. Wharton; characters, John berville, Mr. Boyd Putnam; Lucius Warand, Mr. Wendell; Isabella, his wife, Mrs

Gould has lost none of that charm and brightness that one is glad to recall. The was called out again and again.

A supper and dance followed the play.

A QUEER CASE.

In Thomas Casey, of 548 First avenue, the went to Bellevue yesterday, the phy-defians have a queer case. For four nonths past he has been afflicted with osent-mindedness. He would start ou the morning perfectly well physically meating to go right to his work, yet would forget all about it. He was just as upt to end up on a doorstep absorbed a newspaper, all thoughts of work hav-ng vanished. When he sat down to his eals he forgot all about them, and ofter egan undressing, under the impression t was bedtime. If he took a bath he tarted to drink the water, forgetting al

The steamship Teutonic, which arrived esterday and brought 2,100 bags of mai from Europe, taxed the capacity of the general postoffice to the utmost to handle all the letters and packages and distribute

Millions of letters were dumped out of the 2,160 sacks, besides thousands of small boxes and packages, containing Christmas

In nearly every street letter box these days the city postal collectors find papers with underligherable scribbling on them. These are all children's letters to Santa A GOOD SAMARITAN.

A negro painter named John Mahood feli from a scaffold yesterday afternoon, at

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\$67 Elton avenue, and was badly injured. A crowd guthered as he lay on the ground, unable to move, but no one sent for an ambulance and no policeman appeared in sight.

sight.

After Mahood had been lying there for ten minutes, Father William Murphy, of the Church of St. Peter and St. John, came along. He rebuked the crowd for dilatoriness in calling an ambulance and then tried to find a policeman. When he was unable to do so he took Mahood on his shoulders and carried him seven blocks to a drugstore at 2706 Third avenue, where he sent a call for an ambulance to Fordham Hospital.

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The Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse will remain in port over the holidays, thus missing a trip. The reason is that few folks want to spend Christmas at sea and it doesn't pay to send a great, expensive ship away with a few passengers. She will sail on Thursday, January th, builtington Booth, commander of the least from his from his

Ballington Booth, commander of the Ballington Booth, commander of American Volunteers, has lost from his Montchir (N. J.) home a valuable St. Bernard dog. Mr. Booth values the dog for its friendship rather than for its

intrinsic worth; hence there is great un-happiness in his household.

A BIG BET PAID.

The Tribune relates the following: The \$24,000 bet between Robert A. Fure The \$31,000 bet between Robert A. Furey and Joseph A. McGarry has been paid. Ex-Alderman Arthur Heaney, who was the stakeholder of the bet, at noon yesterday, went into the office of Mr. McGarry at No. 196 Remsen street, and handed over to him the money, which was in the form of a package of bills, marked on the one side, \$34,000 Mr. McGarry dld not count the money but was satisfied with the the money, but was satisfied with the figures of the bank. He started out at

once to deposit the money.

This bet is the largest which has been made in Kinga county for many years and has aroused considerable talk, owing and has aroused considerable talk, owios to the sensational circumstances of the wager. Furey made the offer of \$30.000 to \$14.000 that the entire Democratic theket would be elected in the recent election. Councilman McGarry promptly accepted the wager. McGarry, although a staunch Democrat, worked tooth and nail to defeat his uncle, John Morrissey Gray, for Register, Through McGarry's efforts and nice. ter. Through McGarry's efforts and his family, it is said that the defeat of Gray was brought about,

RAILROAD NEWS.

Amalgamation Regarded as Practically Effected-Items of Interest.

The consolidation plans of the Scaboard Air Line are considered by many as practically consummated, and the details alone remain to be completed.

ing the injunction granted is reviewed with satisfaction by the friends of the consolidation plan, and they are jubilant over the failure of opposition to "hold up" their plans. their plans.

One of the leading men in the amalga mation plan said yesterday, in speaking

of the matter: "The Seaboard Air Line is pro to its successful, speedy and entire ac complishment, legitimately and smooth ly, with the best counsellors and with

the backers above reproach and of great financial strength. They are making their way irresistibly, despite the meth-ods resorted to by their enemies." The Baldwin Locomotive Works engaged upon a recent order for thirty engines for the Reading railway, which are to be ready for delivery by spring and early summer. The order is for ten heavy freight engines, ten fast freight engines and ten heavy passenger locomo tives. The last named will be Vanciain It is announced that the Bondholders

Kansas City railroad (Clover Leaf), of which John C. Havemeyer is chairman, will hold a meeting a New York or becomber 29th, and that the committee has formulated a plan of reorganization, to be submitted at the meeting on the date named. A voting trust, consisting of H. O. Armour, Simon Berg, Charles Par cons, C. A. Shepard and Otto Bannard will be appointed to serve for five years

FUNERAL SERVICES.

Loved Ones Who Have Gone to Their Last Resting Place.

The funeral of Mrs. Virginius Pendleton took place from Monumental church yesterday evening. The interment was in

Hollywood. The funeral of Mr. James Mantle, who died at Old Dominion Hospital Thursday, will take place from the residence in Hen-rico to-morrow afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, The remains of Mrs. Sarah A. Smith, who died Thursday at N teenth street, were buried cemetery yesterday aft afternoon.

funeral was from the house The funeral of Mr. James R. Bennett will take place from St. Patrick's church this morning at 10 o'clock. The interment

will be in Mt. Calvary.

The funeral of Mrs. Martha J. Wiggies.
worth, who died at her home. No. 40:
north First street, Wednesday afternoon,
took place from the residence yesterday

vening at 3 o'clock.

The funeral of Mr. Edward M. Cayce, who died Thursday morning, will face from the house this afternoon. The interment will be in Hollywo

The funeral of Mrs. Martha L. Lumsder place from Broad-Street Methodis church yesterday morning. The services were conducted by Rev. W. B. Beau-

SHRINERS WILL ELECT.

High-Priest Charleton Will Probably Succeed Potentate Hotchkiss. The annual election of officers will take place at the next meeting of the Mystic

Shriners, which will be held next Thurs-The officers whose terms will expire are Potentate, E. D. Hotchkiss; Hight Pries and Prophet, John R. Charleton; Chie Rabban, Thomas Whittet: Assistant Rat ban H, M. Boykin; Recorder and Sec-retary, C. A. Nesbit; Treasurer, John F. Mayer; Representatives to Imperial Shrine

George Street, F. W. Cunningham and tate Hotchkiss has held the office for two terms, and it is quite pr able that at the coming election he will give way to High Priest Charleton,

Notes From Barton Heights. Miss Isabelle Atkins, who has been quite sick for a.me time, is improving.

Misr &-ria Hickerson is not so well, but

Mr. Will Hickerson, of Washington, D. formerly of Barton Heights, will spend Christmas at home.
The Sunday school of the Presbyterian the Sunday school of the Presoyterian church, of Barton Heights, are preparing for a Christmas entertainment. This school is doing a noble work and is growing very rapidly.

Mr. Cardwell to Speak. The young people of St. James M. E. church will be favored with an address

from Mr. A. B. Cardwell to-morrow at I. P. M. Mr. Cardwell is one of Richmond's brightest young men, and those who attend this service will receive much good instruction and enjoy an excellent ser-

matruction and enjoy an excellent ser-vice by the little ones.

To-day at 5:30 P. M. the Junior Ep-worth will hold their Christmas celebra-tion at the church.

ginis.
Lee Camp Auxiliary met at Lee Ca
Hall yesterday morning at 10 o'clock.

Christmas Boxes. Mrs. Roy Mason, chairman of the Li-brary Committee, is sending a large box of magazines, illustrated papers and books that can be spared from the Wo-man's Christian Temperance Union to the miners in the western part of VirLittle Pills.

Positively cured by these They also relieve Distress from Dyspepsia, Indigestion and Too Hearty Eating. A per-

fect remedy for Dizziness, Nausea, Drowsi-

ness, Bad Taste in the Mouth, Coated Tongue

Pain in the Side, TORPID LIVER. They Regulate the Bowels. Purely Vegetable. Small Pill. Small Dose. Small Price.

boxes which are sent to the needy Confederate soldlers and poor widows of Con-

One of the best programmes Mr. Georga One of the best programmes Mr. Veerka B. Davis, superintendent of the City Almshouse, has ever gotten up has just been printed, and includes some of the best talent in the city. It is called "Christmas Cheor for the Inmales of the City Aimshouse," and will be given De-

RUSH AT POSTOFFICE.

Force Increased and all Departments Busy,

Busy.

The employes of the Etchmond postoffice are kept on the jump from early
morn to late at night, and there is no
rest in sight until after the holidays. The
force has been increased and every department is rushed to its utmost.

There are thousands of dalars being
received and paid out in the money order
division. The registry division is crowded with business. The mailing department is simply jammed, and the carriers have not escaped their share of
extra work. The amount of mail received and sem out each day is something enermous.

THE REAL THING. Col. Jo Lane Stern Possesses a Genuine Filipino Ecte.

It's the real thing, and no mistake, and colonel Jo Lane Stern is the proud pos-essor of a genuine Filipino bolo. The weapon was sent to the Colonel by Capt. John C. Shanks, now in service in Luzon, by the First Tennessee Regiment, upon its return to this country. He is proud of the gift. Capt. Shanks sent word that he would at the first opportunity send Col. Stern a Krass and a Bowog. It remains to be seen whether these latter are birds, beasts, fish or weapons.

For a Children's Home.

Shortly after the Christmas recess, a bill of a branch of the society in Virginia, and among the incorporators will be a number of prominent Virginians. The object of the establishment of the home to provide as early as possible for good John L. Williams. Joseph Bryan John Garland Pollard, R. B. Wellford, Jr., Pascal Davie, E. Raab, Charles T. O'Fer-rall, C. W. Tanner, Charles Straus, John P. Branch, O. S. Morton, and W. H.

Christmas Baskets. Lee Camp Auxiliary met yesterday morning at Lee Camp Hall. The business before the meeting was that of arranging Christmas baskets for the Confederate widows and orphans aided by these la-dies. Those wishing to contribute to these baskets can do so by leaving their offer-ing at W. H. Tatum's grocery store on Broad street, The ladies will meet again

to-day.

Officers of L.O.O.F. At the annual election of officers of the dison Encampment I. O. O. F., the following gentlemen were elected:

J. T. Haynes, chief patriarch; C. L.
Weisiger, high priest; Oscar Mana, senlor warden; H. W. Barber, junior war-

den; Louis Aubel, treasurer; J. Harry Simpson, scribe-Henrico News. Clerk Waddill yesterday granted mar-riage Reense to Walter S. Grubbs and Mary C. Felthaus. Squire Thomas has decorated his win-

dow with a fine selection of hot-house plants and rare flowers; including an or-ange tree in full bearing and fine specimen of Jerusalem cherries

Christmas Feast, An enjoyable Christmas frast will be riven at St. James Methodist Episcopal hurch on next Thursday night. Ad-tresses and prayer will be made by Dr. dresses and prayer will be made by Dr. Stiff and Mr. George P. Walford, while there will be singing and music, together with recitations, by Miss Eva Walsh and

Church Hill Club.

Camilla Donally.

The Church Hill Club has not yet decid-The Church Hill Club his not yet decided upon a building in which to establish headquarters. The membership is constantly increasing, and it is difficult to secure a building large enough. A meeting of the committees of the Club will be held next Thursday pight, at which time quarters will be decided upon. Seventh-Street Church.

Rev. Dr. Carey E. Morgan, of Seventh-

Street Christian church, will preach on the

following topics to-morrow: Morning-Christmas sermon-"The World in the Christmas sermon-"The World in the Year I. A. D." Night-"Standing Up for

Christmas Offerings, It has been the custom of the Acca Temple Mystic Shriners for many years, on Christmas eve, to distribute the good things of the season among the poor of the city. The distribution will be made to-day.

For the Poor,

A pound party was given by the Help and Charity Department of the Epworth League at Centonary charch yesterday. The members responded heartily, and groceries and provisions of every variety was given in large quantities. Stove Thief. A small negro boy named Eddle Jack-son was arrested by Officer Wyatt yes, terady as a suspicious character. He is wanted for stealing a stove.

Dr. Catisch's Sermon,

Dr. E. N. Calisch, by special request, spoke at Beth Ahaba last night before a large congregation on the "Significance of the names of God."

Boud's Election Confirmed.

The papers confirming the election of W. H. Bond, judge of the Wise County The Court, were forwarded to him yesterder.